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### JUVENILE JUSTICE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS REPORTS AVAILABLE ON-LINE

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Juvenile Justice Authority Commissioner J. Russell Jennings today announced that reports regarding juvenile justice performance indicator measures are now available on the JJA website at <http://apps.jja.ks.gov/JJAMaps/initMainPage.do>.

“The concept of juvenile justice reform approved 12 years ago in Kansas was to establish a broad-based state and local, public and private partnership to provide the state's comprehensive juvenile justice system,” Commissioner Jennings said. “Now, through the efforts of JJA’s research and information technology staff, we have a map based application that provides an extensive amount of information demonstrating the performance of each of the judicial districts in a number of areas.”

The performance measures examine the effectiveness of three main areas of juvenile intake, intensive supervised probation and case management.

“To foster the agency's mission, JJA has begun to implement evidence-based practices across the continuum of services,” Jennings said. “These reports are presented in what we have attempted to design as an easy to use format that compares individual judicial district performance with statewide totals. It is our hope that this information will be beneficial to everyone involved or interested in local juvenile justice program performance to observe trends in juvenile justice, make comparisons among judicial districts, or assess the effectiveness of the system.”